- Dry Land Farming promotion of Horticulture production and Water Management;
- Creation of Additional Irrigation facilities;
- Market support to farmers produce for ensuring fair and remunerative prices;
- Insurance of crops against production loss due to natural calamities;
- Assistance to the farmers under various agricultural and horticultural production programmes.

Emphasis on cash crops

†87. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the farmers have given emphasis on cash crops instead of conventional grains on a large scale in several areas of the country in the last few years;

(b) if so, whether Government have conducted any survey to ascertain the area of land brought under cash crops during the last ten years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA). (a) Area under conventional foodgrain crops during last five years except 2002-03 remained in the range of 121 to 123 million hectares. During 2002-03 the area under foodgrains declined sharply to 111 million hectares due to severe drought that affect several States/ Regions in the country.

(b) and (c) The area under cash crops including the oilseeds, fibers, tobacco and minor crops like indigo, etc. is collected on a regular basis, as per land use statistics. A statement indicating State-wise data on area under cash crops for the latest year, for which information is available, *i.e.* 1999-2000, is enclosed.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

State-wise area under such crops as oilseeds, fibres and plantation including other cash crops for the year 1999-2000 (Area '000 hectare)

State/Union Territory	Total Oilseeds	Total Fibres	Total Plantation & Other Cash Crops
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Andhra Pradesh	2691	1128	218
Arunachal Pradesh	28		
Assam	350	98	246
Bihar	224	182	18
Goa	27		
Gujarat	2857	1618	191
Haryana	463	546	4
Himachal Pradesh	19	*	3
Jammu & Kashmir	76	*	*
Karnataka	2293	541	284
Kerala	936	5	603
Madhya Pradesh	6121	498	21
Maharashtra	2750	3282	6
Manipur	3	*	
Meghalaya	8	16	1
Mizoram	7	*	*
Nagaland	43	1	*
Orissa	880	94	7
Punjab	137	726	3
Rajasthan	3635	594	85
Sikkim	10		
Tamil Nadu	1223	182	134
Tripura	9	3	49
Uttar Pradesh	1485	16	176
West Bengal	527	625	163
A&N Island	25		*
D& N Haveli	1	*	
Delhi	3	*	
Lakshadweep	3		
Pondicherry	3	*	•
ALL INDIA	26837	10156	2212

*indicate negligible area.